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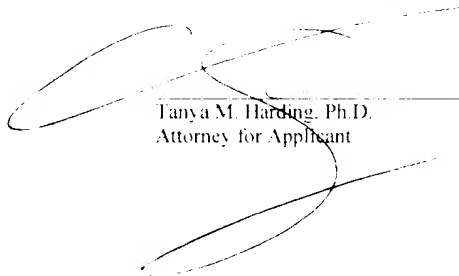
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTIn the Claims:

1. (amended) A recombinant nucleic acid molecule comprising a heterologous promoter sequence operably linked to a nucleic acid sequence, wherein the promoter sequence comprises a transcriptional regulatory region capable of mediating seed-specific expression in *Arabidopsis* wherein the transcriptional regulatory region hybridizes under stringent conditions to a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO. 15, 16, 17, and 18, or the complement thereof.

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

7. (twice amended) The recombinant nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the promoter sequence is at least 70% identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO. 15, 16, 17, and 18, or the complement thereof.